#### **PATENT**

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FIXING CLOTHES HANGER HOOKS

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#### **RESPONSE**

Via EFS

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated 11 April 2008 from Examiner Jaeyun Lee of Art Unit 1791.

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#### **STATUS**

Claims 1-4, 6, 12, and 14 are pending.

Claims 5, 7-11, 13, and 15-17 have been withdrawn ad drawn to a non-elected invention.

The Oath has been objected to.

Claims 1 and 6 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over US Patent 3,508,664 to Lessard (Lessard '664) in view of admitted prior art, US Patent 3,389,037 to Monfort (Monfort '037), and/or US Patent Publication 2004/0079772 to Shih (Shih '772).

Claims 2-4, 12, and 14 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Lessard '664 in view of admitted prior art, Monfort '037, Shih '772 and/or US Patent Publication 2003/0201056 to Dewitt (Dewitt '056).

## **SUMMARY OF FEES DUE**

#### 1. No Extension of Time Fee.

This response is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory time period and no extension of time fees are due.

## 2. No Excess Claims Fee.

The fee for twenty (20) total claims and three (3) independent claims has been submitted. This Response results in no more than twenty (20) total claims and three (3) total claims, and no excess claims fee is due.